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October 22, 2013

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

ATTENTION: WIRELINE COMPETION BUREAU

RE: Form 481 ETC filing pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 SA 381615, ND, Griggs County Telephone Company Connect America Fund WC Dockets 10-90 and 11-42

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of Commission's Rules, Griggs County Telephone Company, ND, SAC 381615 is filing its Form 481 High Cost and Low-Income Annual Report.

Griggs County Telephone Company seeks confidential treatment under the Protective Order in this proceeding.<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to the Order, one copy of the confidential document and two copies of the redacted version are provided. The Redacted version is also being filed on the Electronic Comment Filing System.

Please address any correspondence regarding this transmittal to the attention of Tom Campbell at the following address, e-mail or telephone number.

Sincerely,

Tom Campbell

Telecommunications Consultant

tcampbell@otcpas.com

651-621-8511 (v)

651-483-2467 (f)

**Enclosures** 

Cc: Mr. Charles Tyler, FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Protective Order 27, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 et al, Rec 14231 rel. November 16 ("Order")

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<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030:	651-621-8511		
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	tcampbell@otcpas.com		
ANNUA	L REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS			54.313 54.422 Completion Required Required
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached wo	rksheet)	(check box when complete)
<200> <210>	Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached wo	rksheet)	<i>V V</i>
<310>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)  Detail on Attempts (voice)  Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)  Detail on Attempts (broadband)	(attach descriptive de	Ī	V
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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no )
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no ) O O
<112>	If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.  Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your con CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.	pany is a
	Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.	Name of Attached Document (.pdf)
<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality	
<116>	How (USF)was used to improve service coverage	
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity	
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)	FCC Form 481
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	Reference	<b>Outage Start</b>	Outage Start	Outage End	Outage End	Number of		911 Facilities	Service Outage	Affect Multiple		
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							Customers	(Yes / No)	all that apply)	(Yes / No)	Resolution	Procedures
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(700) Pric	ce Offerings including Voice Rate Data		FCC Form 481		
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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date 1/1/2013				

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
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(710) Broadband Price Offerings	FCC Form 481
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_	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rate and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached { <i>select</i> }
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Griggs County Telephone Co.		
<811>	Holding Company	na		
<812>	Operating Company	Griggs County Telephone Co.		

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	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
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<039>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line			
<0332	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data fill	e (030) team	mpbell@otcpas.com	
<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves			
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation			
<920>	Tribai Government Engagement Obligation		Name of Attached Docu	ment ( ndf)
			Name of Attached Docu	nent (.pui)
	If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for			
	each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached			
	PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal			
	government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:			
		Select	7	
		(Yes,No,		
		NA)		
<921>	Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal		1	
	community anchor institutions;		3	
<922>	Feasibility and sustainability planning;			
<923>	Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;			
<924>	Compliance with Rights of way processes		_	
<925>	Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements			
<926>	Compliance with Facilities Siting rules		†	
<927>	Compliance with Favironmental Review processes		-	
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<928> <929>	Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes  Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.		-	
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	o Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting ection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1120>	Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)	
<1130>	Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)	

1 <b>200)</b> Te	rms and Condition for Lifeline Customers			FCC Form 481
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<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	_	381615nd1210	
			Name of attached document (.pdf)	
<1220>	Link to Public Website	HTTP_	http://www.mlgc.com/telephone/	
	"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF,			
	on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220,			
	contains the required information pursuant to §			
	54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income			
	support, carriers must annually report:			
<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice	~		
	telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,			
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	~		
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.			

(2000) Pi	rice Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
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10337	Contact Email Address Email Address of person identified in data line 40505		
CHECK t	he boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect Ame		
	support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),	(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached	below is accurate.
	Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting		
<2010s	2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)}		
<2010> <2011>			<del>                                     </del>
<2011>	3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)}		
	Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))		
<2012>	2013 Frozen Support Certification		
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	Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}		
<2016>	Certification Support Used to Build Broadband		
	Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}		
<2017>	3rd year Broadband Service Certification		
<2018>	5th year Broadband Service Certification		
<2019>	Interim Progress Certification		
<2020>	Please check the box to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 2021,		
	contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a	recipient	
	of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and address		
	community anchor institutions to which began providing access to bro		
	service in the preceding calendar year.		
<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

(3000) Ra	ate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481
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CHECK t	he boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursua CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that	ant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring the information reported on this form and in the documents attach	
	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan		
(3010)	Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
	Please check this box to confirm that the attached PDF , on line 3012,		
(3011)	contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and		_
	addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing		
	access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.		
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	name of Academica Document Esting required information	✓ (Yes/No)
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report		(Yes/No)
	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017,		· <u> </u>
	contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance		
	requires:		
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		
(3016)	PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual		201615-12015
(3017)	report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	381615nd3017
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?		(Yes/No)
	If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to		
	confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains		
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report		
	in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
(3020)	To building street, meditie statement and statement of cash flows		
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant		
(3021)	that performed the company's financial audit.		_
	If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below		
	to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2),		
	contains:		
	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an		
(3022)	independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a		
	format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications  Borrowers.		
(2022)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified		
(3023)	public accountant		
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		
(3025)	PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to t	the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients				
certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support ecipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.					
Name of Reporting Carrier:					
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date				
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Printed name of Authorized Officer:				
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	Title or position of Authorized Officer:				
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	Felephone number of Authorized Officer:				
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:				
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.					

	Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form			FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an	Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier					
certify that (Name of Agent) <sub>Tom_Campbell</sub> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I lso certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized gent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.						
Name of Authorized Agent: Tom Campbell						
Name of Reporting Carrier: GRIGGS COUNTY TEL CO						
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 10/11/2013					
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Tyler Kilde						
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Vice President						
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 701-437-3417						
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 381615	Filing Due Date for this form: 10/15/2013					
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.						

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF	or LI Recipients on Behalf of Repo	rting Carrier
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledg		
Name of Reporting Carrier: GRIGGS COUNTY TEL CO		
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Tom Campbell		
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Da	ite: 10/11/2013
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Tom Campbell		
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Consultant		
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 651-621-8511		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 381615 Filing Due Date for this form	10/15/2013	
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Commo 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S	, , ,	ع), or fine or imprisonment under Title

Attachments

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SAC: 381615 State: ND Griggs County Tel

Form 481 Line No. 510 Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection

- 1. Griggs County Tel (Company) will provide service on a timely basis to requesting customers within the Company's designated service area where the Company's network already passes the potential customers premises, and
- 2. The Company will provide service, within a reasonable period of time, if the potential customer is within the Company's designated service area but outside the Company's existing network coverage, if the service can be provided at reasonable cost by:
  - a. Modifying or replacing the requesting customers equipment;
  - b. Deploying a roof-mounted antenna or other equipment;
  - c. Adjusting the nearest cell tower;
  - d. Adjusting network or customer facilities;
  - e. Reselling services from another carrier's facilities to provide service; or
  - f. Employing, leasing, or constructing an additional cell site, cell extender, repeater, or other similar equipment.

#### 3. Service Quality Standards

#### The Company:

- Provides voice grade access to the public switched network.
- Provides flat rated local exchange service with no addition charge to end users.
- Provides access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organization, such as 911 and enhanced 911.
- Provides toll blocking and toll limitation services.
- Advertises the availability of its services and the charges using media of general distribution and on its website.
- Maintains a business office providing customers with access to a customer service representative either in person or via a local telephone call or toll-free telephone number during normal business hours.
- Directs after hour calls to the Company's help desk.
- Directs trouble reports to the on-call technician.
- Tracks all service orders to ensure they are completed in a timely manner.
- Measures its service connection and service interruption performance on a regular basis.
- Trains employees to:
  - Answer all incoming calls promptly.
  - Respond to all inquiries for information promptly and courteously.
  - Investigate thoroughly all customer complaints.
  - Be knowledgeable about products and service offerings so they can assist the customer with selecting the best service option.
- Has a process for periodic inspection, testing and preventive maintenance of its equipment to permit the rendering of safe, adequate and continuous service at all times.

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Form 481 Line No. 510 Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection

### 4. Consumer Protection Rules

The Company has established operating procedures designed to facilitate compliance with applicable consumer protection rules which include compliance with the Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) rules. The operating procedures include:

- Appointment of a compliance officer.
- A manual detailing the specific procedures for protecting consumer information.
- Employee training on an annual basis.
- A disciplinary process for improper use of consumer information.

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Form 481 Line No. 610 Description of Functionality in Emergency Situations

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#### Griggs County Tel has:

- Established reasonable provisions' to meet emergencies resulting from failures of lighting or power service, sudden and prolonged increases in traffic, or from fire, storm, or acts of God including provisions for emergency power that provide:
  - o A minimum of four hours of battery service in each central office.
  - o A permanently installed power unit in exchanges, or
  - Mobile power units that can be delivered on short notice and which can be readily.
     connected in offices without installed emergency power facilities.
- Informed employees as to the procedures to be followed, including reasonable rerouting of traffic around damaged facilities and the deployment of emergency power, in the event of emergency in order to prevent or mitigate interruption or impairment of telecommunications service.

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Form 481 Line No. 1210 Lifeline Plans Terms and Conditions

#### **Lifeline Terms and Conditions**

1. Griggs County Tel (Company) offers lifeline program-supported service to qualified low-income residential consumers for one telephone line per eligible household. The lifeline program provides discounts to eligible low-income consumers to help them establish and maintain telephone service. Lifeline assistance lowers the cost of basic, monthly local telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive \$9.25 per month in discounts. In addition, the Federal Universal Service Charge is not assessed to consumers participating in Lifeline. Toll Blocking prevents the placement of all long distance calls for which a subscriber would be charged. Toll Blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost. Also, by choosing the option, consumers are usually not charged a deposit.

#### **Lifeline Program Eligibility Information**

#### **Program Based Eligibility**

Consumers are eligible for Lifeline if they, one of their dependents or their household participate in one of the following qualifying assistance programs:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Medicaid National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Lifeline applicant must present documentation demonstrating eligibility either through participation in one of the qualifying federal assistance programs or through income-based means.

Acceptable documentation of program-based eligibility includes: current or prior year's statement of benefits from a qualifying program; notice letter of participation in a qualifying program; program participation documents; or another official document evidencing the consumer's participation in a qualifying program.

#### **Income Based Eligibility**

In addition, consumers are eligible for Lifeline if their household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines.

2013 Federal Poverty Guidelines – 135%

Household Size	48 Contiguous States and D.C.	
1	\$	15,512
2		20,939
3		26,366
4		31,793
5		37,220
6		42,647
7		48,074
8		53,501
For Each Additional Person, Add		5,427

Acceptable documentation of income eligibility includes: prior year's state, federal or Tribal tax return; current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub; social security statement of benefits; Veterans Administration statement of benefits; retirement/pension statement of benefits; unemployment/workmen's compensation statement of benefits; federal or Tribal notice of letter participating in General Assistance; or a divorce decree or child support award or other official document containing income information.

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#### **Lifeline Terms and Conditions (Continued)**

#### **Lifeline Program Eligibility Information (Continued)**

#### **Recertification of Lifeline Eligibility**

Lifeline recipients are required to recertify their eligibility annually. Failure to properly recertify a recipient's continued eligibility for the Lifeline program will result in termination of the Lifeline recipient's monthly Lifeline discount and de-enrollment from the Lifeline Program.

#### **Additional Lifeline Program Information**

The Lifeline program is limited to one benefit per household, consisting of either wireline or wireless service. A household is defined, for purposes of the Lifeline Program, as an individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline is government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the benefit can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the program.

- 2. The Local services for (Company) that serve as its Lifeline Plans are in Compliance with the Essential telecommunications service as specified in North Dakota Chapter 49-21 4.c as follows:
  - C. Primary flat rate residence basic telephone service including the following service elements:
    - Billing and collecting of the telecommunications company's charges for the service
    - 2) Primary directory listing
    - Access to assistance
    - 4) Access to emergency 911 service and emergency operator assistance in the local exchange areas in which emergency 911 service is not available
    - 5) Except as provided in section 49-02-01.1, mandatory, flat-rate extended area service to designated nearby local exchange areas.
    - 6) Transmission service necessary for the connection between the end user's premises and the local exchange central office switch including a trunk connection that has inward dialing and necessary signaling service such as touchtone used by end users for service.
- 3. The Company's flat rate plans include unlimited local exchange calling including usage to designated nearby local exchange areas. The flat rate plans do not include any toll usage. The rates for any toll usage are determined by the rate plans of the Toll Provider(s) that are selected by lifeline end users.
- 4. The Company has met and will meet the requirements of eligible telecommunications carrier advertising. This includes:
  - a. A full description of available services in the Company's Official telephone directory, including the process to be used by customers to quality for lifeline.
  - b. Advertising of the available universal service in media of general circulation in the Company's designated service area. Availability may be advertised in newspapers, company newsletters, company or civic internet sites, bill stuffer, direct mailings, or other means intended to convey availability throughout the designated service area.
- The specific Company terms and conditions for the Company's Lifeline Plans are set forth in pages included in Exhibit 1, attached.

## MLGC 4PACK BUNDLE

Combine these four popular services at one low rate at saves you more than \$85 each month The MLGC 4Pack Bundle includes:

Residential Local Telephone including Voicemail with Email Notification, Caller ID, Cal

Waiting, Call Forwarding and 3-Way Calling

Long Distance Telephone (1,200 minutes)

20 Mbps Internet

**E-Basic Cable TV** 

### **COMPARE AND SAVE**

MLGC 4Pack Bundle Pricing**	\$114.99/month
Individual Retail Pricing	\$201.72/month
Savings of	\$86.73/month

\*Some restrictions apply \*\*Excluding taxes and FCC charges

#### **TELEPHONE**

MONTHLY TELEPHONE CHARGES		
Local Residential Service		\$18.25
Local Business Service		\$24.25
CALLING FEATURE RATES		
Caller ID		\$5.00
Caller ID with Call Waiting		\$8.00
Call Forwarding		\$2.10
Call Waiting		\$3.00
3-Way Calling		\$3.00
Inside Wire		\$1.00
Voice Mail with Email Notification		\$3.50
TELEPHONE INSTALL FEE		
Installation Fee		\$25.00
ND LONG DISTANCE RESIDENTIAL RATES		
10¢ Nationwide Plus (\$3.95/month)	In-State	\$0.10/min
	State-to-State	\$0.10/min
	Canada	\$0.10/min
Flat Rate Plan	In-State	\$0.15/min
	State-to-State	\$0.10/min
	Canada	\$0.12/min

ND LONG DISTANCE BUSINESS RATES		
10¢ Nationwide Plus (\$4.95/month)	In-State	\$0.10/min
	State-to-State	\$0.10/min
	Canada	\$0.10/min
Flat Rate Plan	In-State	\$0.14/min
	State-to-State	\$0.08/min
	Canada	\$0.12/min

Prices exclude taxes and FCC charges

### **INTERNET**

RESIDENTIAL	WITH PHONE	WITHOUT PHONE
5 Mbps/1 Mbps	\$35.99/month	\$65.99/month
10 Mbps/1.5 Mbps	\$55.99/month	\$85.99/month
20 Mbps/2 Mbps	\$93.99/month	\$123.99/month
BUSINESS	WITH PHONE	WITHOUT PHONE
5 Mbps/1 Mbps	\$45.99/month	\$75.99/month
10 Mbps/1.5 Mbps	\$65.99/month	\$95.99/month
20 Mbps/2 Mbps	\$105.99/month	\$135.99/month
Installation Fee (Waived by signing a one year contract)		\$99.00
Prices exclude taxes and FCC charges		

#### **CABLE TV**

MONTHLY CABLE TV RATES	
E-Basic Cable TV (Channels 2-78)	\$47.93
Digital Tier** (Digital, Music and HD Channels)	\$19.95
HBO**	\$18.00
Showtime/TMC/Flix**	\$16.00
Cinemax**	\$10.00
Starz/Encore**	\$16.00
All 4 Premiums**	\$46.00
DVRHD Receiver Lease	\$9.00
HD Receiver Lease	\$5.00
Cable Card Lease	\$2.50
Installation Fee	\$40.00
**Video equipment is required to view programming Prices exclude taxes and FCC charges	
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## **ATTACHMENT REACTED IN ENTIRETY**